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Kevin W. Concannon, Commissioner  
Department of Human Services  
11 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0011

Dear Mr. Concannon:

I am pleased to inform you that your request to amend Maine's home and community-based services waiver for the elderly, effective January 1, 2001, has been approved. The approved amended waiver pages are enclosed. This amendment has been given control number 0088.90.R2.02.

You requested to amend Environmental Accessibility Adaptations to impose a maximum dollar limit of \$1,500 per consumer per year. It is our understanding that the State explores all sources of funding for environmental modifications, and that the State will monitor utilization of this service to determine whether further amendment is necessary.

You also asked to delete the words "Night attendant" from the definition of Personal Care Services, and to add to the definition that Personal Care Services will be covered on an hourly or a "live-in" basis.

You requested, effective 1/1/2001, to delete Interpreter Services for the Hearing Impaired as a waiver service, because it is covered under the State Plan; and to add Independent Living Assessment as a waiver service to be provided by a licensed occupational therapist or licensed physical therapist.

You also submitted a revised Appendix G for Renewal Years 3, 4 and 5. In addition you updated the plan development process and revised function for the multidisciplinary team (MDT) to reflect the Department of Human Services' Assessing Services Agency's responsibility for care plan development. You also updated the description of Case Management Services to reflect the Home Care Coordination Agency's responsibility for case management and services coordination.

The following revised Appendix G estimates of cost and utilization in the formula have been approved:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Factor C</u>	x	<u>Factor D</u>	=	<u>Total</u>
3	1,311	x	\$12,217	=	\$16,016,225
4	1,352	x	\$12,602	=	\$17,037,345
5	1,400	x	\$13,442	=	\$18,818,654

If you have any questions, please call Nancy Grano at (617) 565-1695.

Sincerely yours,

George F. Jacobs II  
Regional Administrator

Enclosure

cc:

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